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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Roy Hays
Appl. No.: 09/782,685 Group Art Unit: 2155
Filed: February 13, 2001 Examiner: Tran, Philip B.
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR GLOBAL LOG ON IN A DISTRIBUTED SYSTEM

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Arlington, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant has filed a request for continued examination (RCE) herewith, and in accordance therewith, respectfully requests entry and consideration of the Rule 131 Declaration and the request for reconsideration filed on October 27, 2005.

In the Advisory Action of December 5, 2005, the Examiner indicated that the Rule 131 Declaration had not placed the application in condition for allowance because "hard copies of software codes should be provided (amended compact discs is not proper subject matter)." Applicant respectfully traverses this requirement. The submitted compact discs do not constitute part of the original patent application; rather, they are evidence submitted in support of the Rule 132 Declaration. There is no Patent Office rule or procedure of which Applicant is aware that precludes the submission of Rule 131 Declaration information or attachments in CD format. If the Examiner is aware of such a rule, he is respectfully requested to point it out to Applicant. Otherwise, it is respectfully submitted that this requirement should be withdrawn.

Additionally, the Examiner has stated that a "detailed explanation of appropriate portion of software code corresponding to each claimed limitation is needed (not just the module name or file name)." Applicant is unclear as to how a more detailed explanation can be given. Applicant has identified the particular files which perform the claimed steps and features, and correlated the files with the steps/features. If the Examiner is to maintain this

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requirement, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner grant a personal or telephonic interview on this matter before issuing another written communication to elaborate and specify exactly how Applicant might comply with this requirement to the satisfaction of the Examiner.

Early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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